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DEPARTMENT OF STATE PRESS BRIEFING. IF NECESSARY OFFICIAL
VERSION WILL FOLLOW:

Q: DO YOU HAVE ANYTHING ON RHODESIA?

A: I DON'T THINK I HAVE ANYTHING NEW ON RHODESIA.

Q: DO YOU HAVE ANYTHING ON THE WAY IN WHICH CONGRESS APPROVED
THE ARMS SALES BILL, SPECIFICALLY ON THE TURKISH ARMS EMBAR-
GO AND RHODESIA? IS THE DEPARTMENT SATISFIED WITH THE WAY
IT CAME OUT?
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A: CONGRESS HAS FINISHED THAT ACTION AND SENT IT UP. I SAW
THAT NOTE.

YES. WE ARE HAPPY THE MATTER HAS BEEN RESOLVED AND THAT IT
HAS MOVED FORWARD TO THE PRESIDENT.

Q: REGARDING THE APPARENT SPLIT IN THE PATRIOTIC FRONT, IS
IT CONSIDERED LIKELY HERE THAT MR. MUGABE MIGHT ENLIST THE

ASSISTANCE OF PRESIDENT CASTRO, BOTH OF WHOM ARE IN ADDIS
ABABA FOR THIS ETHIOPIAN CELEBRATION?

A: I HAVE NO SPECULATION TO OFFER YOU ON THAT. CHRISTOPHER

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